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1. HEAD OF BANK OF ITALY EXCHANGE OPERATIONS GERONSI TOALD ACTING TREASATT FEBRUARY 25 THAT DOLLAR/LIRA EXCHANGE RATE AT FRANKFURT FIXING (CROSS RATES WAS 782.78 BOI CALCULATION OF WEIGHTED AVERAGE DEVALUATION OF LIRA LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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SINCE FEBRUARY 1973 WAS 30.82 AGAINST ALL CURRENCIES, 25.78

AGAINST DOLLAR AND 34.42 PERCENT AGAINST EC CURRENCIES.

2. GERONSI SAID THAT MARKET WAS HECTIC, APPROXIMATELY \$40 MILLION IN TRANSACTIONS, BUT VERY FAVORABLE FROM BOI POINT OF VIEW. THERE WERE NO PETROLEUM-RELATED PURCHASES. VOLPE

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